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Remedial Investigation/Feasibility Study Gulfco Marine Maintenance Freeport, Brazoria County, Texas

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Present Status

The current round of field activities at the Gulfco Marine Maintenance Superfund Site (Site) began on November 27, 2006, with collection of redfish, speckled trout, flounder, and blue crab samples from the Intracoastal Waterway. This sampling is continuing into the week of December 4, 2006. Also, sediment samples from the wetlands located northeast of the Gulfco Site will be collected.

A number of aboveground storage tanks (AST) are located at the Site south of Marlin Road. One of these tanks contains approximately 2,300 gallons of waste chloroform. This waste chloroform will be removed from the AST in a vacuum tanker truck and disposed of at an off-site incineration facility in Deer Park, Texas. In conjunction with the waste chloroform disposal work, samples will be collected from the other tanks in the AST area to

characterize the material, if any, present in these tanks. This work is expected to be performed in mid December.

Site Description and History

The Site is approximately 40 acres in size and is located approximately 3 miles southeast of the city of Freeport, Texas. It lies along the north bank of the Intracoastal Waterway. The Site operated as a barge cleaning facility from 1971 until 1998. Operations at the facility involved the cleaning, servicing, and repair of various types of barges. The Site was proposed for listing as a Superfund National Priorities List (NPL) site on September 2, 2002, and was included on the NPL on May 30, 2003.

On May 4, 2006, the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) approved the Remedial Investigation and Feasibility Study (RI/FS) Work Plan, and the associated Sampling and Analysis Plan for the Gulfco Site. The implementation of the RI/FS will result in the investigation of the Site and will provide alternatives for remedial action, as necessary. The initial round of RI/FS field activities was performed during June through August when soil, ground water, sediment, and surface water samples were collected.

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